

Solicitation For Supply:

Lower Granite Station Battery and Battery Rack Replacement

100% Set Aside for Small Business Commercial Item Acquisition

Actual Issue date is Wednesday, June 9, 2004

Schedule/Instruction/Provisions/Clauses

TOUR OF THE SITE: No site tour is offered.

June 2004

Contracting Division

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Section SF 1449 - CONTINUATION SHEET

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52.000-3007 INQUIRIES

Prospective bidders may submit telephone inquiries by calling Yvonne Finley at (509) 527-7212 concerning administrative matters or Ms. Gail Hicks at (509) 843-1493 X260 concerning technical matters relating to the specifications. All written inquiries should be addressed to: Walla Walla District, Corps of Engineers, CENWW-CT, ATTN: Mrs. Yvonne Finley, Contract Specialist, 201 North Third Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362-1876. Collect calls will not be accepted.

ADDENDA

BID ITEM LIST PR&C 4097-4273 STATION BATTERY AND BATTERY RACK REPLACEMENT

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0001	125 V Station Battery System	1	EA	\$	\$
0002	Seismic Battery Racks	2	EA	\$	\$
0003	Spill Containment System	1	EA	\$	\$
0004	O & M Manuals	3	ST	\$	\$
0005	Freight	1	LS	\$	\$

Total	\$
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INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE TERMS

Supplies/services will be inspected/accepted at:

CLIN	INSPECT AT	INSPECT BY	ACCEPT AT	ACCEPT BY
0001	Destination	Government	Destination	Government
0002	Destination	Government	Destination	Government
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0005	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

DELIVERY INFORMATION

CLIN	DELIVERY DATE	QUANTITY	SHIP TO ADDRESS	UIC
0001	21-DEC-2004	1	LOWER GRANITE PROJECT 885 ALMOTA FERRY ROAD POMEROY WA 99347-9758 FOB: Destination	G4R0PL0
0002	21-DEC-2004	1	(SAME AS PREVIOUS LOCATION) FOB: Destination	G4R0PL0
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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE LOWER GRANITE PROJECT STATION BATTERY AND BATTERY RACK REPLACEMENT PR&C #4097-4273

PART 1 GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION OF WORK

The Contractor shall supply and deliver the following:

- a. One (1) 125 Vdc, 58 cell battery for the Lower Granite hydroelectric powerhouse. The battery is to be lead Plante, 1730AH at a minimum with a nominal 8-hour discharge to 1.75 final cell volts, and complete with all accessories.
- b. Two (2) one tier, seismic-braced battery racks, assembly for the 125-volt system described above. Appendix A shows a plan view and photos of the existing battery room.
- c. One (1) Spill Containment System
- d. Operations and Maintenance Manuals
- e. Industry Standard Warranty for full performance guarantee for the initial five (5) years after delivery plus a 20 year Pro-Rata warranty to run consecutively.

1.2 APPLICATION

The external loads on the 125vdc system consist of inverters, emergency lighting, relaying, control and indication lights and DC turbine bearing oil pumps. The system will be ungrounded.

1.3 MATERIAL DELIVERY

All materials supplied under this contract shall be delivered no earlier than 01 October 2004. Delivery shall occur during the hours of 0630-1700, Monday through Thursday, excluding legal holidays. Point of contact to coordinate delivery is Ms. Gail Hicks at (509) 843-1493 X260 or Mr. Steve Deeney at (509) 843-1493 X250.

1.4 STANDARD PRODUCTS

This is acquisition is considered a commercial item. Materials and equipment shall be the standard product of an industry-recognized manufacturer regularly engaged in the production of industrial / station service grade batteries used in the power utility industry. The manufacturer shall have designed and assembled batteries and battery racks of similar material, design, and workmanship as required under these specifications. The battery and battery rack shall have been sold or offered for sale on the commercial market through advertisements, manufacturer's catalogs or brochures.

1.5 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS

The publications listed below form a part of this specification to the extent referenced. The publications are referred to in the text by their basic designation only.

INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS (IEEE)

IEEE 450 IEEE Recommended Practice for Maintenance, Testing, and Replacement of Vented Lead-

Acid Battery for Stationary Applications.

IEEE 484 IEEE Recommended Practice for Installation Design and Installation of

Vented Lead-Acid Battery for Stationary Applications.

INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE (IBC)

IBC 2000 International Building Code

NEHRP

Recommended Provisions for Seismic Regulations for New Buildings and Other Structures.

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

FEMA 302 Chapter 14, Non-Building Structure Design Requirements

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION

TI 809-04 Chapter 10, Non-structural Systems and Components (located at

http://www.hnd.usace.army.mil/techinfo/ti/809-04/ti80904.htm)

1.6 SUBMITTALS

1.6.1 Technical submittals

Government approval is required for all submittals with a (GA) designation; submittals having an (FIO) designation are for information only.

Within 30 calendar days after award, submit an original and one copy of the Certification of Compliance for seismic battery rack assembly to the Contracting Officer.

No less than 90 days calendar days <u>prior to</u> delivery, submit two copies of the following for approval or information (as specified in parenthesis):

- a. Operation and Maintenance manuals for the battery supplied under this contract. (GA)
- b. Battery capacity test results. (GA)
- c. Seismic fabrication documents for battery racks. (GA)
- d. Battery rack assembly instructions. (FIO)
- e. Battery rack fabrication certification. (GA)
- f. Battery cell installation instructions. (FIO)
- g. Fabrication information on the Spill containment system. (GA)

Following approval of the Operation and Maintenance manuals, an additional two copies of each of the approved versions shall be submitted. Battery capacity test reports shall be included in these additional copies with two separate battery capacity test report copies, which can be inserted into the initial two O & M manuals previously submitted.

1.6.2 Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Manual Format

Four complete copies of the Operation and Maintenance Manual will be required for the system. The manuals shall have a durable stiff plastic or leatherette cover and shall be designed for 8-1/2 by 11 inch sheets with binding either of telescoping posts and slide-lock or with fastening using screw posts. Either type of binding provided shall be suitable for ready replacement of sheets. Ring-type loose-leaf binders will not be acceptable. The manuals shall include instructions on the installation, operation, maintenance, repair, troubleshooting, and warranty of the system. They shall also include diagrams listing all system components, part numbers, and a list of recommended spare parts.

Also included shall be the name, phone and fax numbers, and email address of the contractor, manufacturer, and a distributor where spare parts can be purchased.

The following identification shall be inscribed on the covers: *OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS*Contract name *LOWER GRANITE DAM*Name of the Contractor
Contract Number

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 GENERAL

Battery, battery rack, and accessories provided under this contract shall be standard products of battery and battery rack manufacturers regularly engaged in the manufacture of battery, battery rack, and accessories for generating stations and substations. The individual cells in each battery shall be of the same type and rating and shall be interchangeable. The battery shall be designed for power plant applications. The contractor shall provide sufficient non-oxidizing grease for use on terminal connection for the complete installation of the battery. One pint of No-Ox-Id grease shall be furnished for maintenance stock.

2.2 TYPE AND DESCRIPTION

2.2.1 125 Volt Battery

The battery furnished under these specifications shall be lead Plante` station service type battery rated at 125VDC, 1730 AH on an 8-hour discharge to 1.75 volts per cell, consisting of 58 cells. The battery shall be flooded (vented) cell design and fully charged at delivery. Minimum cell voltage shall be 1.75 volts. The cells shall have a nominal float voltage of 2.23 volts and a nominal equalize voltage of 2.33 volts. The station battery shall be furnished with all required accessories and mounting hardware including inter-cell connectors, connector bolts, end lugs, terminal connectors, flame arrester vent caps, hydrometers with hydrometer holders, thermometers with thermometer holders, and acid resistant cell numbers. Flexible cable or rigid bus shall be furnished for connections between adjacent battery rows.

2.2.2 Warranty Information

The minimum warranty shall include a full guarantee for the initial five years after delivery plus a 20-year Pro Rata warranty to run consecutively.

2.2.3 Construction of Battery

Positive plates shall be of solid, <u>pure</u> lead construction. Pasted-plate lead alloy grid type positive plates shall not be allowed. The negative plates shall be pasted grid type. Separators shall be microporous construction. The cell jars shall be made of fire resistant transparent styrene acrylonitrile to facilitate visual inspection. Electrolyte minimum and maximum level lines shall be clearly marked on the front side of the jars. A flame arrester vent cap shall be fitted into each cell. The cell terminal posts shall be configured with dual independently bolted inter-cell connectors to allow removal of any one of these parallel connectors to perform online maintenance without degrading or compromising the battery function. Terminal posts shall be fabricated from a lead alloy with the copper insert completely enclosed in a seamless lead covering to prevent corrosion. The battery shall not be taken off line for maintenance due to the cost prohibitiveness of bringing in a mule specifically for maintenance. The cell jar covers shall be chemically welded to the jars. The terminal post to jar cover seals shall be a tongue and groove rubber O-ring system held captive in the cover. This seal shall allow for the normal elongation of the plates without seal deterioration. The Plante cell shall retain 100 percent of rated capacity throughout the life of the battery, which shall be for a minimum of 25 years.

Battery inter-cell connector hardware shall include lead plated solid copper and lead plated brass hardware. Flexible inter-step jumpers shall be welding cable with terminals securely crimped to the ends and sized to accommodate the maximum battery load. The contractor shall provide all necessary inter-cell connectors, for the dual independent connectors and hardware for the complete installation of the 58 cells. 6 additional inter-cell connectors shall be supplied.

2.3 SEISMIC BATTERY RACKS

2.3.1 General

The battery rack furnished under these specifications shall be constructed in accordance with IBC 2000 design requirements, and shall be fabricated to fit and support the new 125 volt (nominal) station battery furnished under these specifications. The battery rack sections shall be one tier, not longer than 220 inches in length and 42 inches in width. Battery racks with more than 2-steps will not be allowed. All rack sections shall include spill containment components. Floor anchorage, including specific installation requirements and all hardware, shall be furnished. Floor anchorage shall be seismic rated. Battery rack sections shall be galvanized, mild steel fabrication with powder-coated acid-resistant black or gray paint.

2.3.2 Seismic Fabrication Requirements For Battery Rack

Battery rack shall be fabricated in accordance with the design requirements of Section 1622, Nonbuilding Structures Seismic Design Requirements, of IBC 2000 or Chapter 10 Nonstructural Systems and Components of TI 809-04, or Chapter 14 Nonbuilding Structure Design Requirements of FEMA 302. The following coefficients shall be used in the calculations:

Importance factor $I_p = 1.50$ Seismic factor or occupancy important factor $I_E = 1.50$ Seismic use group: III

 $S_{DS} = 0.30g$ $S_{D1} = 0.10g$

The new battery system equipment shall be fabricated to be anchored to the existing powerhouse reinforced concrete floor to resist seismic force. Concrete compressive strength of f'c = 3,000 psi can be used in seismic anchorage calculations. The seismic anchorage system shall be fabricated to resist seismic force calculated in accordance with International Building Code 2000 (IBC 2000) or 1997 Edition NEHRP Recommended Provisions for Seismic Regulations for New Buildings and Other Structures (FEMA 302/February 1998) or U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Technical Instructions Seismic Design for Buildings TI-809-4/31 December 1998. Friction resistance shall be neglected and not be used.

2.4. SPILL CONTAINMENT SYSTEM

The spill containment system shall include all components and absorbent materials necessary to completely contain the entire liquid contents of the battery. This system shall be able to contain the liquid for 8 hours without damage to the racks.

PART 3 – EXECUTION

3.1 ACCEPTANCE TESTS

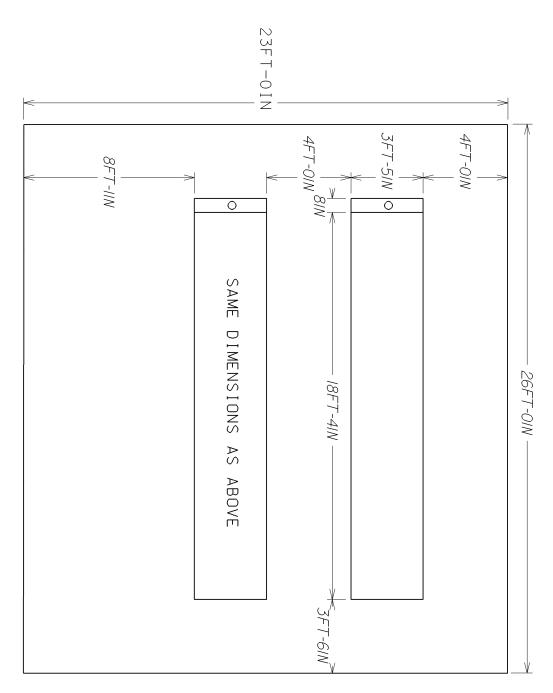
The Contractor shall perform an 8-hour battery capacity test prior to shipment. The capacity test shall conform to IEEE Std. 450. The test shall include the initial conditions, an 8-hour test length and test discharge rates of a constant current load equal to the manufacturer's 8-hour rating of all cells.

3.2 SHIPMENT AND DELIVERY

The contractor shall be responsible for packing and shipping the components in a manner that will ensure undamaged and complete arrival to Lower Granite Dam. No shipments are allowed other then normal business hours of Monday-Thursday 6:30AM-5PM, excluding holidays. Delivery shall be to the South side entrance of the facility. The battery and battery rack assemblies for Lower Granite Lock and Dam shall be supplied and delivered FOB to the following address:

Lower Granite Lock and Dam ATTN: Gail Hicks 885 Almota Ferry Rd Pomeroy, WA 99347

APPENDIX A





END VIEW



LENGTH VIEW

Additional Instructions to Offerors

PROPOSAL EXPENSES AND PRE-CONTRACT COSTS. This solicitation does not commit the Government to pay for costs incurred in the preparation and publication of a proposal or for any other costs incurred prior to execution of a formal contract.

52.000-3007 INQUIRIES

All questions of a technical nature regarding this solicitation should be directed to Gail Hicks, 509/843-1493x260. Any questions of a contractual nature should be directed to Yvonne Finley, 509/527-7221. Technical and/or contractual questions regarding this solicitation can also be directed in writing to: Walla Walla District, Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CENWW-CT, Yvonne Finley, 201 North Third Avenue, Walla Walla, Washington 99362-1876.

GENERAL INFORMATION

In addition to FAR 52.212-1, the following provides additional guidance and instructions to offerors in preparing their proposal and describe the approach for development and presentation of the proposed data in response to this solicitation. The proposal shall include all of the information requested in these instructions.

It is the respondent's responsibility to ensure that the proposal is complete prior to submittal. The evaluation panel for the Government may evaluate solely on the information provided in the proposal and will not assume that an offeror possesses any capability unless specified in the proposal.

The additional information shall be in sufficient detail to allow a reviewer to evaluate the proposal for compliance with the specification.

Each item in the specification shall be addressed with a cross reference to corresponding paragraph(s) and page number(s) of the Offeror's discussion pertaining to that item. The referenced paragraph shall clearly and completely show how the specification requirements are met. Simple statements such as "conform" which indicate understanding of the requirements are not adequate. Similarly, phrases such as "standard procedures will be implemented" or "well-known techniques will be used," etc. are also inadequate.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

The complete proposal package, marked with the solicitation number, shall consist of the following two (2) sections, each separately labeled, within one package. Proposals will be typed on paper 8 1/2 by 11 inches and bound with loose-leaf binders. Foldout charts and drawings may be larger, but folded to fit proposals. Both sides may be printed, double spaced with one-inch side margins. Charts, graphics and photos may be used to support proposals if they add relevant and pertinent information. Proposals will not be permanently bound. Price factors will not be cited in Technical or Management proposals in order to facilitate independent evaluation. Proposals will not be more than 100 pages in their entirety. Proposals will be delivered in the quantities as follows:

Volume 1 --- Technical Approach, and Past Performance, Original and 2 copies; Volume 2 --- Price Proposal and Offer Documents - Original and 1 copies, executed and completed as required.

Volume 1 --- Technical Approach, and Past Performance

Technical Approach (original and 2 copies). It is recommended you address each evaluation factor (See EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS in Section M). **NO PRICING INFORMATION SHALL BE INCLUDED WITH THE TECHNICAL PROPOSALS**.

The Technical Approach (Volume I) must be specific, complete and contain, as a minimum, the information specified below:

(1) Discuss your approach and methodology to accomplish compliance with the requirements listed in the Specifications. Your discussion should address (but is not limited to) the following areas:

(a) Technical requirements

- 1) Complete lists of equipment and materials. The proposal shall contain adequate information; including catalog cuts and other printed materials, to show that the proposed battery system meets all of the requirements of these specifications. This part shall include the manufacturer's descriptive and technical literature.
- 2) Information on the seismic battery rack which confirms that the battery can be installed in the Projects' battery room, in accordance with NFPA requirements, while allowing for maintenance access to the individual battery cells. Battery rack assembly layout drawings with dimensions are required. Detailed calculations shall be included to show that the seismic battery rack assemblies meet the requirements of FEMA 302.
- 3) Battery capacity test procedures.
- 4) Spill containment system.
- 5) The delivery date of the hardware supplied under these specifications.

(b) Scheduling for required documentation.

(2) Past Performance.

- (a) The Government queries the <u>Past Performance Information Retrieval System</u> (PPIRS) in evaluating past performance information. If adequate documentation is not available, then the Government may use a questionnaire to conduct a survey with follow up calls, emails or telephone interviews to verify past performance.
- (b) The Government may use past performance information obtained from other than the sources identified by the offeror, and that the information may be used for both the responsibility determination and the best value decision.
- (c) Submit a listing of ALL relevant contracts and/or service deliveries currently being performed or performed during the past three year period that demonstrate performance relevant to the requirements of this solicitation. Include the contract number, type work, type contract, point of contact for the contract, current address and phone number, and email address. Offerors may comment on any problems encountered on the identified contracts or transaction. Limit any comments to the discussion of the problems and corrective actions taken.
- (d) Past performance information on work performed for state, local governments, and private sector clients' similar to the Government requirement will be evaluated equally with similar federal contracts.

Volume 2 --- Price Proposal and Offer Documents

Price Proposal and Offer Documents - Original and 5 copies, executed and completed as required

The following information must be provided with the Price Proposal and offer Documents:

- (1) Offer, documents, originals, executed and completed as required:
 - a) Standard Form 1449 Signed
 - b) Bid Item List completed with all pricing information
 - c) Representations, Certifications (FAR 52.212-3), Coporate/Partnership certificates, and all other applicable documents in solicitation
 - d) Any other submittals not related to the technical proposal that are required by the solicitation.
- (2) A current financial statement of the individual, firm or corporation, certified by a reputable independent accounting firm, if practicable. If the financial statement is more than 60 days old, a certificate must be attached stating that the financial condition is substantially the same, or if not the same, the changes that have taken place. Such statement will be treated as confidential.

NOTE: The Solicitation package shall NOT be returned with the proposal.

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52.000-3012 CORPORATE CERTIFICATE/ AUTHORITY TO BIND PARTNERSHIP

If the bid is submitted by a corporation or partnership, the applicable form listed below must be completed. In the alternative, other evidence must be submitted to substantiate the authority of the person signing the bid. If a corporation, the same officer shall not execute both the bid and the certificate.

CORPORATE CERTIFICATE	
I, certify that I am the	
(corporate officer title) of the corporation named as	
Bidder/Contractor herein; that who signed this bid/contract on behalf	of the
Bidder/Contractor was then(title) of said corporation; that	said
bid/contract was duly signed for and on behalf of said corporation by authority of its governing body, and is w	thin
the scope of its corporate powers.	
(Corporate Seal) (signature required)	
AUTHORITY TO BIND PARTNERSHIP	
This is to certify that the names and signatures of all partners are listed below and that the person signing the b had authority to actually bind the partnership pursuant to its partnership agreement. Each of the partners individually has authority to enter into and execute contractual instruments, on behalf of said partnership, with United States of America, except as follows: (State "none" or describe limitations, if any.)	
This authority shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the revocation of authority by any cause whatsoever has been furnished in writing to, and acknowledged by the Contracting Officer.	
(Names and signatures of all partners)	

LOCAL REPS AND CERTS

CAUTION TO OFFERORS AND COMPLETE AS INDICATED:

(7) "Remit to" address, if different than mailing address;

-SET ASIDE FOR SMALL BUSINESS -FOB DESTINATION PRICING TO LOWER GRANITE DAM, WASHINGTON -CCR REGISTRATION REQUIRED, IF NOT REGISTERED PLEASE VISIT www.ccr.gov -PRICES QUOTED MUST BE VALID FOR 60 DAYS -BUSINESS SIZE _____ -TAX ID # _____ -DUNS # _____ -CAGE CODE # _____ -VISIT www.nww.usace.army.mil ORGANIZATION PAGE, CONTRACTING, FOR A LISTING OF ADVERTISED SOLICITATIONS 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2004) (a) North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and small business size standard. The NAICS code and small business size standard for this acquisition appear in Block 10 of the solicitation cover sheet (SF 1449). However, the small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, but which proposes to furnish an item which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees. (b) Submission of offers. Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show--(1) The solicitation number; (2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers; (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the offeror; (4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary; (5) Terms of any express warranty; (6) Price and any discount terms;

- (8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications at FAR 52.212-3;
- (9) Acknowledgment of Solicitation Amendments;
- (10) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and
- (11) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.
- (c) Period for acceptance of offers. The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 30 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.
- (d) Product samples. When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.
- (e) Multiple offers. Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions or commercial items for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.
- (f) Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers:
- (1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that offers or revisions are due.
- (2)(i) Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and--
- (A) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of offers; or
- (B) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or
- (C) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, it was the only proposal received.
- (ii) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer, that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (3) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the offer wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.
- (4) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and

urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

- (5) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers. Oral offers in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers, subject to the conditions specified in the solicitation concerning facsimile offers. An offer may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of offers, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer.
- (g) Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids). The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.
- (h) Multiple awards. The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.
- (i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation. (1) The Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions and the documents listed in it may be obtained from the General Services Administration, Federal Supply Service Bureau, Specifications Section, Suite 8100, 470 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407 ((202) 619-8925).
- (2) The DOD Index of Specifications and Standards (DODISS) and documents listed in it may be obtained from the Standardization Documents Desk, Building 4D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094 (telephone (215) 697-2569).
- (i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation. (1)(i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to--GSA Federal Supply Service Specifications Section, Suite 8100, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407, Telephone (202) 619-8925, Facsimile (202) 619-8978.
- (ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (i)(1)(i) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.
- (2) The DoD Index of Specifications and Standards (DoDISS) and documents listed in it may be obtained from the-Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP), Building 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Telephone (215) 697-2667/2179, Facsimile (215) 697-1462.
- (i) Automatic distribution may be obtained on a subscription basis.
- (ii) Order forms, pricing information, and customer support information may be obtained-
- (A) By telephone at (215) 697-2667/2179; or
- (B) Through the DoDSSP Internet site at http://dodssp.daps.mil.

- (3) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.
- (j) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number. (Applies to all offers exceeding \$25,000, and offers of \$25,000 or less if the solicitation requires the Contractor to be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" or "DUNS +4" followed by the DUNS or DUNS +4 number that identifies the offeror's name and address. The DUNS +4 is the DUNS number plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned at the discretion of the offeror to establish additional CCR records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see FAR Subpart 32.11) for the same parent concern. If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one. An offeror within the United States may contact Dun and Bradstreet by calling 1-866-705-5711 or via the internet at http://www.dnb.com. An offeror located outside the United States must contact the local Dun and Bradstreet office for a DUNS number.
- (k) Central Contractor Registration. Unless exempted by an addendum to this solicitation, by submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the CCR database prior to award, during performance and through final payment of any contract resulting from this solicitation. If the Offeror does not become registered in the CCR database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror. Offerors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the Internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.
- (l) Debriefing. If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:
- (1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.
- (2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.
- (3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
- (4) A summary of the rationale for award;
- (5) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.
- (6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

(End of provision)

52.212-2 EVALUATION--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 1999)

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

All other factors combined are more important than price. Evaluation factors are listed below in descending order of importance.

- (1) **Technical Approach**
- (2) Past Performance
- (3) Price

Proposals will be evaluated against the specifications in accordance with the following criteria which are listed in descending order of importance, with the sub-factors and elements for each factor also listed in descending order of importance (unless other wise noted).

(1) TECHNICAL APPROACH

(a) Understanding and Compliance with Requirements

There are two (2) elements under sub-factor (a) as follows: (NOTE: ELEMENTS 1 AND 2 ARE OF EQUAL IMPORTANCE). The evaluation should demonstrate a clear and concise understanding of the Specifications. The goal of this evaluation is to establish the Contractors understanding of the technical requirements in the Specifications. The following elements will be used when evaluating proposals.

- (f) Are technical requirements addressed properly and completely, demonstrating that all components (battery, seismic rack, spare parts) of the system meet the Specifications?
- (g) Does the proposal demonstrate a firm understanding of the documentation and testing required?

(b) Soundness of Approach

There is one (1) element under sub-factor (b). The evaluation will consider more technically sound approaches and methods for providing materials and equipment as defined in the Specifications. The following elements will be considered with evaluating proposals:

- (1) Does the proposal provide enough detail to demonstrate that an appropriate level of effort is directed toward each requirement?
- (2) PAST PERFORMANCE. In the evaluation, the Government will consider past performance in similar service activities. Information will be furnished by offeror's or obtained from other sources such as past and present customers, Government agencies (including state and local governments), and others that may have useful information. An assessment will be made of the offeror's record of conforming to contract requirements, adhering to standards of good workmanship, reasonable and cooperative, successful innovation and commitment to customer satisfaction.
- (3) PRICE. The evaluation will consider complete pricing documentation and lower pricing as more desirable. Proposals will be evaluated to determine the extent to which all price elements of the offer have been addressed, and whether pricing is reasonable.
- (b) Options. The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option

prices are significantly unbalanced. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of clause)

52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2004) ALTERNATE I (APR 2002)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Emerging small business" means a small business concern whose size is no greater than 50 percent of the numerical size standard for the NAICS code designated.

"Forced or indentured child labor" means all work or service-

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern-

- (1) Means a small business concern--
- (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

"Small business concern" means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

Veteran-owned small business concern means a small business concern-

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

"Women-owned small business concern" means a small business concern-

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more women; or
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
- "Women-owned business concern" means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
- (b) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to a central contractor registration database to be eligible for award.)
- (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (b)(3) through (b)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
- (2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(3) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
TIN:
TIN has been applied for.
TIN is not required because:
Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;
Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;
Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.
(4) Type of organization.
Sole proprietorship;
Partnership;
Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);
Corporate entity (tax-exempt);
Government entity (Federal, State, or local);
Foreign government;
International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;

Other
(5) Common parent.
Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;
Name and TIN of common parent:
Name
TIN
(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.
(1) Small business concern. The offeror represents as part of its offer that it () is, () is not a small business concern.
(2) Veteran-owned small business concern. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph $(c)(1)$ of this provision.) The offeror represents as part of its offer that it $(\)$ is, $(\)$ is not a veteran-owned small business concern.
(3) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph $(c)(2)$ of this provision.) The offeror represents as part of its offer that it () is, () is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.
(4) Small disadvantaged business concern. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.) The offeror represents, for general statistical purposes, that it () is, () is not a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.
(5) Women-owned small business concern. (Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph $(c)(1)$ of this provision.) The offeror represents that it () is, () is not a women-owned small business concern.
Note: Complete paragraphs (c)(6) and (c)(7) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.
(6) Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern). (Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.) The offeror represents that it () is, a women-owned business concern.
(7) Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns. If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:

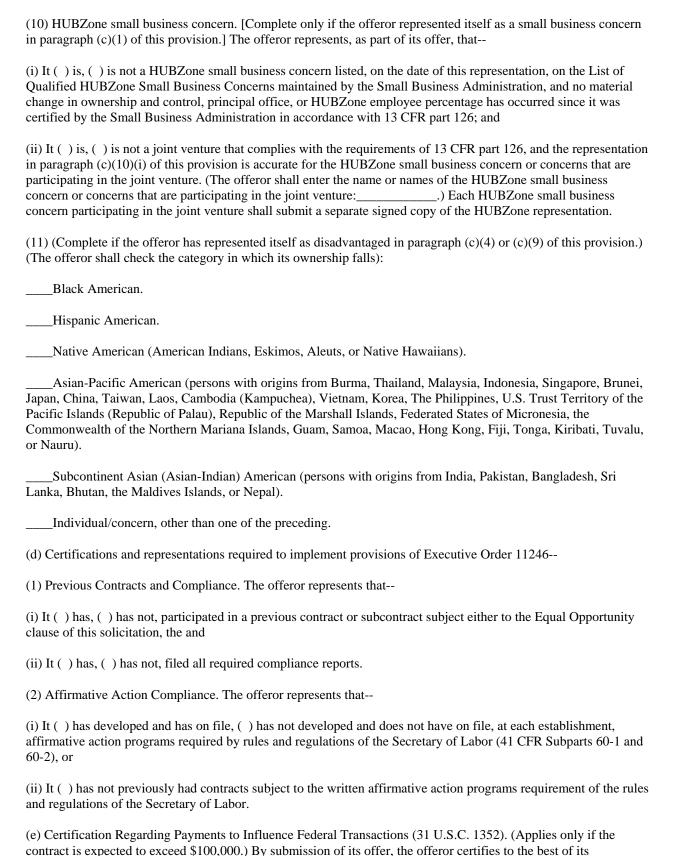
(8) Small Business Size for the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program and for the Targeted Industry Categories under the Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program. (Complete only if the offeror has represented itself to be a small business concern under the size standards for this solicitation.)

(i) (Complete only for solicitations indicated in an addendum as being set-aside for emerging small businesses in one of the four designated industry groups (DIGs).) The offeror represents as part of its offer that it $(\)$ is, $(\)$ is not an emerging small business.

- (ii) (Complete only for solicitations indicated in an addendum as being for one of the targeted industry categories (TICs) or four designated industry groups (DIGs).) Offeror represents as follows:
- (A) Offeror's number of employees for the past 12 months (check the Employees column if size standard stated in the solicitation is expressed in terms of number of employees); or
- (B) Offeror's average annual gross revenue for the last 3 fiscal years (check the Average Annual Gross Number of Revenues column if size standard stated in the solicitation is expressed in terms of annual receipts).

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(Check one of the following):
Average Annual
Number of Employees Gross Revenues
50 or fewer \$1 million or less
51 - 100 \$1,000,001 - \$2 million
101 - 250 \$2,000,001 - \$3.5 million
251 - 500 \$3,500,001 - \$5 million
501 - 750 \$5,000,001 - \$10 million
751 - 1,000 \$10,000,001 - \$17 million
Over 1,000 Over \$17 million

- (9) (Complete only if the solicitation contains the clause at FAR 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns or FAR 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program-Disadvantaged Status and Reporting, and the offeror desires a benefit based on its disadvantaged status.)
- (i) General. The offeror represents that either--
- (A) It () is, () is not certified by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern and identified, on the date of this representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business concern in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net), and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification, and, where the concern is owned by one or more individuals claiming disadvantaged status, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); or
- (B) It () has, ()(has not submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted.
- (ii) Joint Ventures under the Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns. The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint venture that complies with the requirements in 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that the representation in paragraph (c)(9)(i) of this provision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture. (The offeror shall enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture: ______.)



knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract.

- (f) Buy American Act--Balance of Payments Program Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American Act--Balance of Payments Program--Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)
- (1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products. The terms ``component," ``domestic end product," ``end product," ``foreign end product," and ``United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Buy American Act--Supplies."

(2) Foreign End Products:
Line Item No.: Country of Origin:
(List as necessary)
(3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.
(g)(1) Buy American ActFree Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade ActBalance of Payments Program Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American ActFree Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)
(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Buy American ActFree Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade Act" and that the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States.
(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are FTA country end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Buy American ActFree Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade Act":
FTA Country or Israeli End Products
Line Item No.: Country of Origin:
(List as necessary)
(iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Buy American ActFree Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act." The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products.
Other Foreign End Products
Line Item No.: Country of Origin:

(List as necessary)

- (iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.
- (2) Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I (JAn 2004). If Alternate I to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
- (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian End Products:
Line Item No.
(List as necessary)
(3) Buy American Act Free Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II (Jan 2004). If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
(g)(1)(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms ``component," ``domestic end product," ``end product," ``foreign end product," and ``United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Buy American ActFree Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade Act."
(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American ActFree Trade AgreementsIsraeli Trade Act":
Canadian or Israeli End Products:
Line Item No.
Country of Origin
(List as necessary)

- (4) Trade Agreements Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(4)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made, designated country, Caribbean Basin country, or FTA country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled ``Trade Agreements."

(ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.Smade, designated country, Caribbean Basin country, or FTA country end products.
Other End Products
Line Item No.: Country of Origin:
(List as necessary)
(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25. For line items subject to the Trade Agreements Act, the Government will evaluate offers of U.Smade, designated country, Caribbean Basin country, or FTA country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American Act. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.Smade, designated country, Caribbean Basin country, or FTA country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.
(h) Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension or Ineligibility for Award (Executive Order 12549). (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals
(1) () Are, () are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency; and
(2) () Have, () have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: Commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or Commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and
(3) () Are, () are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.
(i) Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126). [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at 22.1503(b).]
(1) Listed end products.
Listed End Product
Listed Countries of Origin
(2) Certification. (If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1)

of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.)

- () (i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.
- () (ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

(End of provision)

52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS-- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCT 2003)

- (a) Inspection/Acceptance. The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. The Government must exercise its post-acceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.
- (b) Assignment. The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (e.g., use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.
- (c) Changes. Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.
- (d) Disputes. This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.
- (e) Definitions. The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference.
- (f) Excusable delays. The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement or any excusable delay, setting for the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.
- (g) Invoice. (1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include--
- (i) Name and address of the Contractor;
- (ii) Invoice date and number;

- (iii) Contract number, contract line item number and, if applicable, the order number;
- (iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;
- (v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;
- (vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;
- (vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;
- (viii) Name, title, and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and
- (ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
- (x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.
- (A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
- (B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer--Central Contractor Registration, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic

Funds Transfer--Other Than Central Contractor Registration), or applicable agency procedures.

- (C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.
- (2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.
- (h) Patent indemnity. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.
- (i) Payment .--
- (1) Items accepted. Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.
- (2) Prompt payment. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.
- (3) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause.
- (4) Discount. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

- (5) Overpayments. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer and request instructions for disposition of the overpayment.
- (j) Risk of loss. Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:
- (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or
- (2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.
- (k) Taxes. The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.
- (l) Termination for the Government's convenience. The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.
- (m) Termination for cause. The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.
- (n) Title. Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.
- (o) Warranty. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- (p) Limitation of liability. Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.
- (q) Other compliances. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.
- (r) Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts. The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 327, et seq., Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986; 41 U.S.C. 265 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.
- (s) Order of precedence. Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: (1) the schedule of supplies/services; (2) the Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, and Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts paragraphs of this clause; (3) the clause at 52.212-5; (4) addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer

software; (5) solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation; (6) other paragraphs of this clause; (7) the Standard Form 1449; (8) other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and (9) the specification.

- (t) Central Contractor Registration (CCR). (1) Unless exempted by an addendum to this contract, the Contractor is responsible during performance and through final payment of any contract for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the CCR database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the CCR database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates its information in the CCR database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the CCR does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.
- (2)(i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, "doing business as" name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in FAR subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to (A) change the name in the CCR database; (B) comply with the requirements of subpart 42.12; and (C) agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor must provide with the notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.
- (ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (t)(2)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (t)(2)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the CCR information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.
- (3) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the CCR record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see Subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the CCR database. Information provided to the Contractor's CCR record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.
- (4) Offerors and Contractors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.

(End of clause)

52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAY 2004) (DEVIATION)

- (a) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of this paragraph (a) if the contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records-Negotiation.
- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times, the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes

clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

- (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (b) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in paragraphs (i) through (vi) of this paragraph in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause--
- (i) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (October 2000) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
- (ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Apr 2002) (E.O. 11246).
- (iii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (Dec 2001) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (v) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965, as Amended (May 1989), flow down required for all subcontracts subject to the Service Contract Act of 1965 (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- (vi) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Apr 2003) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.
- (c) While not required, the contractor May include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

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252.204-7000	Disclosure Of Information	DEC 1991
252.204-7003	Control Of Government Personnel Work Product	APR 1992

CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY FULL TEXT

252.212-7001 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS APPLICABLE TO DEFENSE ACQUISITIONS OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAY 2004)

(a) The Contractor agrees to comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause which, if checked, is included in this contract by reference to implement a provision of law applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components.

X 52.203-3 Gratuities (APR 1984) (10 U.S.C. 2207).
(b) The Contractor agrees to comply with any clause that is checked on the following list of Defense FAR Supplement clauses which, if checked, is included in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components.
252.205-7000 Provision of Information to Cooperative Agreement Holders (DEC 1991) (10 U.S.C. 2416).
252.219-7003 Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts) (APR 1996) (15 U.S.C. 637).
252.219-7004 Small, Small Disadvantaged and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Test Program) (JUN 1997) (15 U.S.C. 637 note).
X 252.225-7001 Buy American Act and Balance of Payment Program (APR 2003) (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d, E.O. 10582).
252.225-7012 Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities (MAY 2004) (10.U.S.C. 2533a).
252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals (APR 2003) (10 U.S.C. 2533a).
252.225-7015 Preference for Domestic Hand or Measuring Tools (APR 2003) (10 U.S.C. 2533a).
252.225-7016 Restriction on Acquisition of Ball and Roller Bearings (MAY 2004) (Alternate I) (APR 2003) (10 U.S.C. 2534 and Section 8099 of Public Law 104-61 and similar sections in subsequent DoD appropriations acts).
252.225-7021 Trade Agreements (APR 2003) (19 U.S.C. 2501-2518 and 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
252.225-7027 Restriction on Contingent Fees for Foreign Military Sales (APR 2003) (22 U.S.C. 2779).
252.225-7028 Exclusionary Policies and Practices of Foreign Governments (APR 2003) (22 U.S.C. 2755).
X 252.225-7036 Buy American ActNorth American Free Trade Agreement Implementation ActBalance of Payment Program (JAN 2004) (Alternate I) (JAN 2004) (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d and 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
252.225-7038 Restriction on Acquisition of Air Circuit Breakers (APR 2003) (10 U.S.C. 2534(a)(3)).
252.226-7001 Utilization of Indian Organizations, Indian-Owned Economic Enterprises, and Native Hawaiian Small Business Concerns (Oct 2003) (Section 8021 of Pub. L. 107-248).
252.227-7015 Technical DataCommercial Items (NOV 1995) (10 U.S.C. 2320).
252.227-7037 Validation of Restrictive Markings on Technical Data (SEP 1999) (10 U.S.C. 2321).
X 252.232-7003 Electronic Submission of Payment Requests (JAN 2004) (10 U.S.C. 2227).
252.243-7002 Certification of Requests for Equitable Adjustment (MAR 1998) (10 U.S.C. 2410).
X252.247-7023 Transportation of Supplies by Sea (MAY 2002) (Alternate I) (MAR 2000) Alternate II) (MAR 2000).

____252.247-7024 Notification of Transportation of Supplies by Sea (MAR 2000) (10 U.S.C. 2631).

(c) In addition to the clauses listed in paragraph (e) of the Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders--Commercial Items clause of this contract (Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.212-5), the Contractor shall include the terms of the following clauses, if applicable, in subcontracts for commercial items or commercial components, awarded at any tier under this contract:

252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals, Alternate I (MAR 1998) (10 U.S.C. 2533a).

252.247-7023 Transportation of Supplies by Sea (MAY 2002) (10 U.S.C. 2631).

252.247-7024 Notification of Transportation of Supplies by Sea (MAR 2000) (10 U.S.C. 2631)

(End of clause)

Security Contract Language for all Corps of Engineers' Unclassified Contracts (PIL 2003-06, 19 Feb 03)

All Contractor employees (U.S. citizens and Non- U.S. citizens) working under this contract (to include grants, cooperative agreements and task orders) who require access to Automated Information Systems (AIS), (stand alone computers, network computers/systems, e-mail) shall, at a minimum, be designated into an ADP-III position (non-sensitive) in accordance with DoD 5220-22-R, Industrial Security Regulation. The investigative requirements for an ADP-III position are a favorable National Agency Check (NAC), SF-85P, Public Trust Position. The contractor shall have each applicable employee complete a SF-85P and submit to the Security Officer within three (3) working days after award of any contract or task order, and shall be submitted prior to the individual being permitted access to an AIS. Contractors that have a commercial or government entity (CAGE) Code and Facility Security Clearance through the Defense Security Service shall process the NACs and forward visit requests/results of NAC to the Security Officer. For those contractors that do not have a CAGE Code or Facility Security Clearance, the Security Office will process the investigation in coordination with the Contractor and contract employees.

The address for the Security Office is:

Dave Piper, Security Officer Walla Walla District, COE 201 North Third Avenue Walla Walla, WA 99362

In accordance with Engineering Regulation, ER 380-1-18, Section 4, foreign nationals who work on Corps of Engineers' contracts or task orders shall be approved by the HQUSACE Foreign Disclosure Officer or higher before beginning work on the contract/task order. This regulation includes subcontractor employees. (NOTE: exceptions to the above requirement include foreign nationals who perform janitorial and/or ground maintenance services.) The contractor shall submit to the Division/District Contract Office, the names of all foreign nationals proposed for performance under this contract/task order, along with documentation to verify that he/she was legally admitted into the United States and has authority to work and/or go to school in the US. Such documentation may include a US passport, Certificate of US citizenship (INS Form N-560 or N-561), Certificate of Naturalization (INS Form N-550 or N-570), foreign passport with I-551 stamp or attached INS Form I-94 indicating employment authorization, Alien Registration Receipt Card with photograph (INS Form I-151 or I-551), Temporary Resident Card (INS Form I-688), Employment Authorization Card (INS Form I-688A), Reentry Permit (INS Form I-327), Refugee Travel Document (INS Form I-571), Employment Authorization Document issued by the INS which contains a photograph (INS Form I-688B).

Classified contracts require the issuance of a DD Form 254 (Department of Defense Contract Security Classification Specification).

(End of Clause)